

FINAL BILL REPORT

SHB 2735

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Synopsis As Enacted

Brief Description: Enhancing the duties of the center for voluntary action, which is renamed the center for volunteerism and citizen service act.

By House Committee on State Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Ogden, Wood, Pruitt, Dellwo, Paris, Winsley, R. King, O'Brien, Ludwig, Jacobsen, Ferguson, Sheldon, Brekke and Anderson; by request of Department of Community Development).

House Committee on State Government
Senate Committee on Governmental Operations

Background: In 1982, the Legislature passed the Center for Voluntary Action Act. In so doing, the Legislature expressed an intent to ensure that the state of Washington makes every appropriate effort to encourage citizens to be volunteers. The Legislature gave the governor the authority to establish a statewide Center for Voluntary Action within the Department of Community Development. The center's major task is to work in cooperation with individuals, local groups, and organizations throughout the state to further volunteer efforts. The Legislature also created the Washington State Council on Voluntary Action to assist the governor and the center in furthering volunteer efforts.

Summary: The Center for Voluntary Action becomes the Center for Volunteerism and Citizen Service. The Council on Voluntary Action becomes the Washington State Council on Volunteerism and Citizen Service. The upper limit on council membership increases from 21 to 25 members, and the governor is directed to consider a number of factors when making appointments to the council. Both the center and the council receive the new duty of seeking additional funding sources to support, promote, and enhance the ethic of citizen service throughout the state.

Votes on Final Passage:

House	97	0
Senate	43	0

Effective: June 11, 1992